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#### Mission

Ensure safety and reliability of nuclear stockpile

Work against proliferation of nuclear weapons



Policy

No nuclear testing



# To us, big science refers to projects of large scale and impact



Advanced Strategic Computing Initiative (ASCI): massively parallel teraflop supercomputing







Flash x-ray (FXR) radiography machine

Fisher/GovLabs Role 2

# Big science requires the construction of large facilities



National Ignition Facility (NIF)



Defines state-of-the-art in optics industry

- A large fraction of its construction budget goes to industry
- Industrial partners critical to LLNL mission

# The Lab is characterized by highly committed multidisciplinary teams





Our multidisciplinary teams support the big science we've been doing since LLNL began in 1952

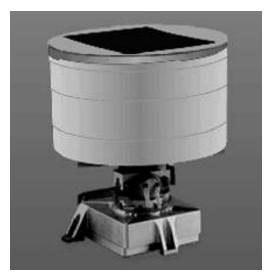
# Our mission determines the nature and scope of our science and technology



Weapons: warhead for Polaris missile



Remote sensing: star tracker camera used on Clementine spacecraft that mapped the moon's surface



# Big science forms the foundation for stable, long-term industrial participation



#### Almost 50 years of close partnering with industry







Fisher/GovLabs Role 6

### Conclusion: A federal lab needs a policy-driven mission accomplished by doing big science



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